

RENTON CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting

September 11, 2000
Monday, 7:30 p.m.

Council Chambers
Municipal Building

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jesse Tanner led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and called the meeting of the Renton City Council to order.

**ROLL CALL OF
COUNCILMEMBERS**

RANDY CORMAN, Council President; TIMOTHY SCHLITZER; KING PARKER; DON PERSSON; KATHY KEOLKER-WHEELER; DAN CLAWSON; TONI NELSON.

**CITY STAFF IN
ATTENDANCE**

JESSE TANNER, Mayor; JAY COVINGTON, Chief Administrative Officer; LAWRENCE J. WARREN, City Attorney; MARILYN PETERSEN, City Clerk; GREGG ZIMMERMAN, Planning/Building/Public Works Administrator; SUE CARLSON, Economic Development Administrator; JIM SHEPHERD, Community Services Administrator; OWEN DENNISON, Senior Planner; JENNIFER TOTH HENNING, Senior Planner; DEREK TODD, Assistant to the CAO; COMMANDER FLOYD ELDRIDGE, Police Department.

**APPROVAL OF
COUNCIL MINUTES**

Corrections were made to page 305, paragraph two, to add a request that the garbage company be contacted and asked not to block sidewalks with garbage cans; and page 306, paragraph six to change the word "contracted" to the word "contacted." MOVED BY CORMAN, SECONDED BY SCHLITZER, COUNCIL APPROVE THE MINUTES OF AUGUST 21, 2000, AS AMENDED. CARRIED.

**SPECIAL
PRESENTATIONS**

Community Event: Return to
Renton Car Show

Chief of Police Garry Anderson invited Ben and Nancy Remak to make a presentation regarding the Return to Renton Car Show. Mr. Remak reported that he and his wife have been organizing the event for ten years. He described the many duties performed by the Police Department employees in the coordination of the show. Mrs. Remak also expressed her appreciation for the assistance provided by the Police and Parks Departments. She announced that the Return to Renton Car Show raised \$10,000 this year, and the money will be used to help fund the Police Department's youth education programs.

Chief Anderson praised Ben and Nancy Remak for all the work they've done over the past ten years in conducting such a successful community event and presented them with an award for outstanding achievement and certificates of appreciation.

Police: Meritorious Service
Award

Chief of Police Garry Anderson presented the Meritorious Service Award to Officer Brett Ferguson. Chief Anderson explained that Officer Ferguson was off-duty attending his son's baseball game. During the game, Coach Claude Theil suffered a heart attack and Officer Ferguson rendered CPR to him until aid units arrived. Chief Anderson said that Mr. Theil's heart attack would have been fatal but for the actions of Officer Ferguson. Officer Ferguson accepted the award and said he was happy that he was able to help.

PUBLIC MEETINGS

Annexation: Lee, Hoquiam Ave
NE & NE 9th St

This being the date set and proper notices having been posted and published in accordance with local and State laws, Mayor Tanner opened the public meeting to consider the 10% Notice of Intent to Annex Petition for 12 acres located east of Hoquiam Ave. NE (142nd Ave. SE) north of NE 9th St. (if extended) and west of 144th Ave. SE (if extended); Petitioner, Lee.

Owen Dennison, Senior Planner, explained that the site contains five single-family homes and appears to include a wetland. The site's existing zoning under King County is R-4. Since Renton's Comprehensive Plan designates the property to be Residential Single Family, applicable Renton zoning would be R-5, R-8 and Manufactured Home Park. Water service is currently provided by Water District 90 and Renton can provide access to sewers.

Mr. Dennison reported that the proposal is generally consistent with the City's policy for annexation. He pointed out that development will likely occur with or without annexation. Since existing and future development would be residential, Mr. Dennison noted that annexation of the property would not contribute to City revenues. There are no apparent large infrastructure costs or other liability issues for the City. He concluded by saying that the proposed annexation would have little impact on City services.

Public comment was invited.

Correspondence was read from Harley Harmon, 14105 SE 118th St., Renton, 98059, opposing the proposed Lee Annexation. He expressed concern that the development of the property would lead to the destruction of the existing wetland located on the property and the wildlife it supports.

Correspondence was read from Marc Uhlig, 14415 171st Ave. SE, Renton, 98059, opposing the proposed Lee Annexation. He detailed several reasons for his opposition to the annexation including traffic impacts, surface water management concerns, inadequate school mitigation fees, and lack of recreational amenities. Response letter from Owen Dennison was entered into the record.

MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL CLOSE THE PUBLIC MEETING. CARRIED.

MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL ACCEPT THE 10% NOTICE OF INTENT TO ANNEX, AUTHORIZE CIRCULATION OF THE 60% PETITION TO ANNEX, REQUIRE ADOPTION OF CITY ZONING ON THE PROPERTY CONSISTENT WITH RENTON'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, AND REQUIRE THAT THE PROPERTY OWNERS ASSUME A PROPORTIONAL SHARE OF THE CITY'S EXISTING BONDED INDEBTEDNESS. CARRIED.

Annexation: Anderson, 148th Ave SE & SE 120th St

This being the date set and proper notices having been posted and published in accordance with local and State laws, Mayor Tanner opened the public meeting to consider the 10% Notice of Intent to Annex Petition for approximately 19 acres located east of 148th Ave. SE and south of SE 120th St. (if extended); Petitioner, Anderson.

Owen Dennison, Senior Planner, reported that the site contains 14 single-family homes on medium to large lots as well as vacant parcels. The City's Critical Areas Map shows a portion of a five-acre wetland extending into the subject area. Mr. Dennison advised that existing King County zoning is R-4 and Renton's Comprehensive Plan designates the subject parcel Residential Rural (RR). Potential zoning under the RR designation includes Resource Conservation, R-1 and R-5. Water service is currently provided by Water District 90 and the City can provide access to sewers.

Continuing, Mr. Dennison explained that the proposal is consistent with City

policies for annexation, noting that development of the site is likely to occur regardless of whether or not it is annexed by the City. The proposed annexation may cause a slight revenue drain but no apparent large-scale financial liabilities are apparent at this time. In conclusion, Mr. Dennison pointed out that the proposal would result in imperfect addressing along 148th Ave. SE, however; this situation already occurs in numerous areas within the City.

Public comment was invited.

Connie Fletcher, 18712 SE May Valley Rd., Issaquah, 98027, Issaquah School Board member, informed Council of the potential loss of \$150,000 if the subject property is annexed to the City. This is due to a discrepancy in the amount of Issaquah School District (ISD) impact fees collected in unincorporated King County for school construction and the amount the City of Renton collects.

Ms. Fletcher explained that in 2001, King County will approve an impact fee in the amount of \$4,658 for a single-family unit and \$732 for each multi-family unit to be constructed within the ISD. Last year, King County collected \$6,131 for a single-family unit and \$1,412 for each multi-family unit. She pointed out that unlike the cities of Newcastle, Bellevue, Issaquah and Sammamish, Renton did not adopt this fee but chose rather to impose a fee of \$2,797 for a single-family unit and did not impose a fee for multi-family units. For each new single-family home to be built in the proposed annexation area, ISD will lose \$1,861 in fees. Ms. Fletcher described what the fees are used for and encouraged the City to work with the Issaquah School District in providing the resources to accommodate growth.

Jan Woldseth, 4798 172nd Ct. SE, Bellevue, 98006, Issaquah School Board member, pointed out that the educational provider for the proposed annexation area is the Issaquah School District. She said that the School District is committed to partnering with Renton to provide education to children living in the subject site, just as the District partners with other cities. Ms. Woldseth expressed her concern regarding the inequity of the impact fee amount Renton has adopted as compared to other cities and encouraged the City to work with the Issaquah School District to resolve this issue.

Mary Scott, 13416 248th Ave. SE, Issaquah, 98027, Issaquah School Board member, reported that the Issaquah School District passed a bond issue in 1999 after several attempts. She advised that during the process of trying to pass the bond issue, the School District discovered that voters wanted the impact fees included as part of the funding. Explaining that the fees were included as part of the funding for the bond issue, she noted that collecting less impact fees means less money that is available to build schools.

Keith Childs, 12004 148th Ave. SE, Renton, 98059, opposed annexation and expressed his concern regarding the cost of hooking up to the City's sewers and the required monthly fee. He pointed out that traffic continues to increase on 148th Ave. SE and many cars drive over the posted speed limit. Mr. Childs commented that many issues need to be addressed concerning the proposed annexation besides schools, and claimed that his property value will lower if it falls under the Renton School District as opposed to the Issaquah School District.

For the record, Councilman Corman explained that school district boundaries do not change when City boundaries change.

Responding to Councilman Corman's inquiry, Planning/Building/Public Works

Administrator Gregg Zimmerman clarified that except in the Aquifer Protection Area 1, in most instances, existing residences are not required to connect to the City's sewer system unless the existing septic system fails.

City Attorney Larry Warren added that under Renton City Code Section 8-5-3B, if a property owner is not compelled to hook-up to the City's sewer, there could be a charge for the sewer service equal to what the normal monthly sewer charge might be.

Claudia Donnelly, 10415 147th Ave. SE, Renton, 98059, said she supports the Issaquah School District Board members in their efforts to encourage Renton to increase the impact fees. She expressed concern regarding the effect surface water run-off from the subject site into Honey Creek will have on the fish, especially since the City is not a party to the Tri-County Endangered Species Act (ESA) 4(d) Agreement.

Mayor Tanner explained that the Tri-County ESA Agreement is not yet in effect; therefore no one in King County is a party to the agreement.

Marc Uhlig, 14415 171st Ave. SE, Renton, 98059, expressed his concern about over-development and loss of vegetation in the subject area, and urged the City to maintain the zoning at R-5 (five dwelling units per acre).

Responding to Councilmember Keolker-Wheeler, Mr. Dennison confirmed that according to the City's Comprehensive Plan, the maximum density allowed is five units per acre. Other applicable zoning includes R-1 (one dwelling unit per acre) and Resource Conservation (one dwelling unit per ten acres).

Correspondence was read by Alan and June Holmquist, 12050 148th Ave., Renton, 98059, opposing the proposed Anderson Annexation saying there will be a significant environmental impact to existing wetlands if the subject site is developed. The letter also objected to increased noise, pollution and traffic.

Electronic mail was read by Claudia Donnelly, 10415 – 147th Ave. SE, Renton, 98059, expressing her concerns regarding storm water drainage problems and the destruction of salmon spawning beds due to development occurring above May Creek.

MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL CLOSE THE PUBLIC MEETING. CARRIED.

MOVED BY CORMAN, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL ACCEPT THE 10% NOTICE OF INTENT TO ANNEX, AUTHORIZE CIRCULATION OF THE 60% PETITION TO ANNEX, REQUIRE ADOPTION OF CITY ZONING ON THE PROPERTY CONSISTENT WITH RENTON'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, AND REQUIRE THAT THE PROPERTY OWNERS ASSUME A PROPORTIONAL SHARE OF THE CITY'S EXISTING BONDED INDEBTEDNESS. CARRIED.

Finance: Issaquah School
District Impact Fees

Councilman Corman thanked the Issaquah School District Board Members and citizens for expressing their concerns regarding the Issaquah School District (ISD) impact fees. MOVED BY CORMAN, SECONDED BY PARKER, COUNCIL REFER THE SUBJECT REGARDING ISSAQUAH SCHOOL DISTRICT IMPACT FEES TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE. ROLL CALL: FIVE AYES: CORMAN, SCHLITZER, PARKER, KEOLKER-WHEELER, CLAWSON; TWO NAYES: PERSSON AND NELSON. CARRIED.

APPEAL**Planning & Development
Committee**

Appeal: 230 Williams Ave N
Residence Restoration, AAD-
00-036

Planning & Development Committee Chair Keolker-Wheeler presented a report regarding the 230 Williams Ave. N. Appeal. This appeal is of an administrative determination that a single-family residence located at 230 Williams Ave. N., which was destroyed by fire, could not be rebuilt on the same site. The administrative decision was appealed to the Hearing Examiner and upheld. The owner appealed to the City Council. The Planning and Development Committee met on the matter on August 10, 2000.

Because the appeal might have been moot if the appellant's property could be reconfigured through a legal lot line adjustment, or other similar process, staff was requested to explore making such adjustments to the property to allow this burned home to be redeveloped without considering this appeal. Staff informed the Committee that it had been unsuccessful.

The appeal turns to the meaning of City Code Section 4-9-120B.1.b., which permits a single-family dwelling damaged by fire or an act of God to be rebuilt on the same site subject to all relevant code and life safety codes. The language is clear and unequivocal. The members of the Planning and Development Committee further recall adopting this Code Section with the intent of permitting all nonconforming single-family dwellings destroyed by fire or an act of God to be rebuilt on the same site, without consideration of the date when the dwelling became nonconforming.

Therefore, the Planning and Development Committee recommended that the appeal be granted and that City Code Section 4-9-120B.1.b. be interpreted by the full Council to allow this nonconforming single-family dwelling, damaged by fire, to be rebuilt on the same site, subject to all relevant fire and life safety codes.

**MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY SCHLITZER,
COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.**

Public Works: Tri-County
Endangered Species Act 4(d)
Rule Framework

Chief Administrative Officer Jay Covington explained that City staff has spent considerable time trying to determine the City's course of action regarding the Tri-County Endangered Species Act (ESA) 4(d) rule framework. He reported that this is an ongoing process and the City is diligently following the progress of the Tri-County Committee in an effort to determine what the impacts will be to the City. In addition, the City is heavily involved in matters concerning the Watershed Resource Inventory areas.

Continuing, Mr. Covington said that to date, King County has taken the lead in organizing and funding these watershed efforts; however, the County has recently indicated that it can no longer afford to support these efforts at the same financial level. Mr. Covington explained that Renton wants to play a greater role in directing the development of the recovery plan, and therefore, the City is involved in creating an interlocal agreement which would allow all cities in the watershed areas in King County to participate as equal partners based on their proportional share of the watershed. The primary purpose of the agreement is to direct and fund Watershed Resource Inventory planning which is the process by which a comprehensive salmon recovery plan will be developed. Concluding, Mr. Covington said that efforts are underway to bring the agreement before the Council within the next few months.

**ADMINISTRATIVE
REPORT**

Chief Administrative Officer Jay Covington reviewed a written administrative report summarizing the City's recent progress towards goals and work programs adopted as part of its business plan for 2000 and beyond. Items noted included:

- ✱ On September 7th, the U.S. Senate passed S.2438, the Pipeline Safety Improvement Act of 2000. Before it becomes law, this bill must be passed by the House of Representatives and signed by the President.
- ✱ The Fall 2000 Community Services brochure has been mailed to city residents, distributed through the elementary schools, and is available at the Renton libraries and Community Center.
- ✱ A & H Drug Stores co-sponsored a senior citizen picnic at the Renton Senior Activity Center where 650 senior citizens were served a free picnic dinner complete with great entertainment.

AUDIENCE COMMENT
 Citizen Comment: Mapili –
 Tharp Rezone, LUA-00-051

Charles Mapili, 2316 NE 31st St., Renton, 98056, expressed his thanks to the Hearing Examiner, Planner Elizabeth Higgins, and members of the Environmental Review Committee for reaching the conclusion, in regards to the Tharp Rezone (LUA-00-051), that unquestioned development in a sensitive area is not in the best interest of the community at large nor the private citizens along May Creek.

MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL SUSPEND THE RULES AND ADVANCE TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT REGARDING THE EAST VALLEY ROAD REHABILITATION PROJECT. CARRIED.

Finance Committee
 Transportation: E Valley Hwy
 & Transit Center Projects
 Financing

Finance Committee Chair Parker presented a report regarding the East Valley Road Rehabilitation Project (CAG-00-099) and the Downtown Transit Access Program - Renton Transit Center. The bids for the East Valley Road Rehabilitation Project and the Renton Transit Center (administered by King County Metro) have come in over their allocated budgets. The Transportation Committee has requested that project budgets within the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) be adjusted to allow construction of both of these projects as bid. In order to proceed with these projects, the Finance Committee recommended that the East Valley Road Rehabilitation Project receive \$494,000 and the Renton Transit Center Project receive \$200,000 from transfers within the TIP as follows:

TIP #	PROJECT	FUNDS AVAILABLE	REASON
3	Oakesdale Ph2 Mitigation	\$200,000	Bids came in \$200,000 lower than estimated
43	CBD Bike & Ped Connections	\$104,000	Other programs have taken priority
15	Arterial HOV Program	\$100,000	Local match funding not needed due to no 2000 grant
32	Arterial Rehab Program	\$150,000	application opportunities East Valley project meets definition of this program
25	Arterial Circulation	\$ 80,000	Other programs have taken priority
36	Park/Sunset	\$ 60,000	Awaiting Sound Transit analysis of Park Ave. Inter-

change feasibility for HOV
direct access interchange

TOTAL**\$694,000**

The Finance Committee recommended authorizing Council to accept the budget changes. **MOVED BY CORMAN, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.** (See later action on consent agenda.)

CONSENT AGENDA

Items on the consent agenda are adopted by one motion which follows the listing.

Appointment: Board of
Adjustment

Mayor Tanner appointed Wayne Jones, 1800 SE 7th Ct., Renton, 98057, to the Board of Adjustment to fill an unexpired four-year term, expiring 9/06/01. Refer to Community Services Committee.

CAG: 00-123, Lake
Washington Blvd/Burnett Ave
S Storm System Project, Gary
Merlino Const Co

City Clerk reported on 8/24/00 (per Council's pre-approval) the Mayor awarded the Lake Washington Blvd./Burnett Ave. S. Storm System Project to low bidder C.J.'s Construction Services Inc., in the amount of \$188,512.22; CAG-00-123. Information.

CAG: 00-122, Grading &
Drainage at Maplewood Golf
Course Driving Range

City Clerk reported bid opening on 8/15/00 for CAG-00-122, Grading and Drainage at Maplewood Golf Course Driving Range; four bids; project estimate \$102,000; and submitted staff recommendation for project funding since bids were over the engineer's estimate. Refer to Community Services Committee.

CAG: 00-121, Synthetic Turf
Installation at Maplewood Golf
Course

City Clerk reported bid opening on 8/15/00 for CAG-00-121, Synthetic Turf Installation at Maplewood Golf Course Driving Range; two bids; project estimate \$82,000; and submitted staff recommendation for project funding since bids were over the engineer's estimate. Refer to Community Services Committee.

CAG: 00-099, East Valley
Road Rehabilitation, Gary
Merlino Const Co

City Clerk reported bid opening on 7/26/00 for CAG-00-099, East Valley Road Rehabilitation; three bids; project estimate \$920,801.90; and submitted staff recommendation to award the contract to the low bidder, Gary Merlino Construction Co., Inc., in the amount of \$1,451,749.50. The low bid was over the project estimate, and additional funding sources have been identified per the Finance Committee report. Council concur. (See page 318 for Finance Committee report.)

Planning: Construction Sign
Regulations, Housekeeping
Ordinance

City Clerk recommended approval of a housekeeping ordinance which corrects regulations regarding construction signs. Council concur. (See page 324 for ordinance.)

CRT: 00-009, Barbee Forest
Products v Renton

Court Case filed by Ladd Leavens of Davis Wright Tremaine, Attorneys, representing Barbee Forest Products, Inc., alleging the adoption of Resolution No. 3466 (which declares a moratorium on the permitting of development and acceptance of development applications in the COR-2 Zone) is unreasonable and violates COR-2 Zone property owners' due process rights. Refer to City Attorney and Insurance Services.

EDNSP: Neighborhood
Program Expansion

Economic Development, Neighborhoods and Strategic Planning Department recommended approval to expand the Neighborhood Program to provide an improved grant program, additional support for neighborhood picnics, and additional staffing for all components of the program. Proposed funding for expansion is \$143,000, an increase of \$75,520 over current funding of \$67,480. Refer to Community Services Committee.

EDNSP: I-405/NE 44th St Interchange, Environmental Processes Coordination, Huckell/Weinman Assoc	Economic Development, Neighborhoods and Strategic Planning Department recommended approval of an agreement with Huckell/Weinman Associates, Inc., in the amount of \$150,000 (City's share not to exceed \$75,000) for coordinating environmental processes associated with the I-405/NE 44th St. Interchange Project. Council concur.
EDNSP: I-405/NE 44th St Interchange, Transportation Processes Coordination, HDR Engineering	Economic Development, Neighborhoods and Strategic Planning Department recommended approval of an agreement with HDR Engineering, Inc., in the amount of \$150,000 (City's share not to exceed \$50,000) for coordinating transportation tasks and processes associated with the I-405/NE 44th St. Interchange project. Council concur.
Executive: Centennial Celebration Budget	Executive Department requested approval of a \$6,000 budget increase to cover additional costs related to planning 2001 Centennial Celebration activities, and requested approval to budget \$106,000 in 2001 to fund activities, events, and materials. Refer to <u>Community Services Committee</u> .
Finance: Action Aviation Fuel Spill Cleanup Debt	Finance & Information Services Department reported that Action Aviation has not paid \$8,511.45 that remains due for the cleanup cost of a fuel spill at the Renton Municipal Airport. Refer to <u>Transportation Committee</u> .
Finance: Airport Lease Debt, John Lien (LAG-86-003)	Finance & Information Services Department reported that John Lien is in arrears in the amount of \$9,408.68 for land and building rental and leasehold tax on property rented at the Renton Municipal Airport (LAG-86-003). Refer to <u>Transportation Committee</u> .
Finance: 2000 Solid Waste Ordinance	Finance & Information Services Department recommended approval of an ordinance that implements 2000 solid waste service changes as reflected in the contract with Waste Management, Inc., executed in 2000. Refer to <u>Utilities Committee</u> .
Technical Services: Oakesdale Ave SW Extension Project, Deed of Dedication (Longacres Park)	Technical Services Division recommended acceptance of a deed of dedication for property owned by Longacres Park, Inc., which is needed for the Oakesdale Ave. SW Extension Project, extending Oakesdale from SW 27th to SW 31st St. Council concur.
Latecomer Agreement: Gelvezon (SW 12th St), Waterline Improvements, LA-99-002	Technical Services Division requested final approval of latecomer agreement submitted by Elvis Gelvezon for waterline improvements on SW 12th St., and requested approval to extend the preliminary approval time for a period of four months, approve the agreement, and direct the City Clerk to mail final notification to the affected property owners. Council concur.
Technical Services: Oakesdale Ave SW Extension Project, Puget Sound Energy Easement	Technical Services Division requested approval of an easement with Puget Sound Energy, Inc., to accommodate underground vaults necessary to feed traffic signaling and street lighting for the extension of Oakesdale Ave. SW. Council concur.
Utility: Stoneway Concrete Plant Regulated Substances Removal, AnMarCo & Stoneway Concrete	Utilities Systems Division recommended approval of an agreement with AnMarCo and Stoneway Concrete in the amount of \$70,000 to assist in their efforts to reduce the quantity of regulated substances on the Stoneway Concrete Batch Plant site as part of the relocation of the Stoneway Concrete Plant which must relocate by 10/14/02 to comply with the Aquifer Protection Ordinance. Refer to <u>Utilities Committee</u> .
Special Assessment District: Aberdeen Ave NE (Addition of	Utilities Division requested authorization to add two additional lots to the Aberdeen Ave. NE Sanitary Sewer Special Assessment District which was

2 Lots)

approved by Council on 7/24/00. Council concur.

MOVED BY CORMAN, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE

Citizen Comment: See – Dean Sherman Apartments (Williams Ave S)

Correspondence was read from John and Donna See, 438 Burnett Ave. S., Renton, 98055, requesting that the entrance to the parking garage to the proposed Dean Sherman Apartments be located on Williams Ave. S., rather than from the alley. Mr. and Mrs. See also requested that a moratorium be imposed on building construction in the area until the sewer pipeline repair is completed.

Development Services: Airport Rezone, Applicability of P-Suffix, LUA-00-076

Councilmember Keolker-Wheeler referred to a memo in which Economic Development Director Sue Carlson requested clarification from Council regarding the applicability of the P-suffix designation relating to the pending Renton Airport rezone. MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL REFER THIS MEMO TO THE PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE. CARRIED.

OLD BUSINESS

Committee of the Whole:

Transportation: I-405 Corridor Program

Council President Corman presented a report regarding the I-405 Corridor Program. On September 11, WSDOT presented the Council with four alternatives to help ease the congestion on the I-405 corridor. Alternative 1 – High Capacity Transit/TDM, alternative 2 – Transit, alternative 3 – Mixed Mode, and alternative 4 – Roadway Capacity. The I-405 Corridor Program will prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for the four alternatives over the next six months. A preferred alternative will be recommended in 2001.

The Committee of the Whole recommended that Council endorse WSDOT's alternatives with seven conditions put forth as follows and that the Mayor be authorized to send a letter stating the City's endorsement.

1. City of Renton should be assured that accessibility of neighborhoods and communities to I-405 is emphasized in all options. Although the importance of the interstate highway for moving long distance through traffic is recognized, the corridor improvements must also recognize the increasing access needs of the communities through which I-405 passes. The Growth Management Act has brought about accelerated growth in these communities. Improvements for the long distance traveler must not come at the expense of local accessibility.
2. Portions of the I-405 corridor pass through Renton's sole source drinking water aquifer. Sensitivity of the aquifer to possible contamination must be considered in all options.
3. Any final option (preferred) needs to adequately address SR-167/I-405 interchange capacity and mobility issues.
4. Stay within the existing right-of-way of I-405 to minimize impacts on Renton neighborhoods.
5. Minimize/mitigate impacts to neighborhoods. Avoid anymore "takes" to Renton Hill.
6. Any grade separation of Rainier Ave./Grady Way should not adversely impact adjacent businesses.
7. City may desire to limit arterial improvements along Duvall/Jones Rd. and 140th to five lanes.

MOVED BY CORMAN, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Utilities Committee

CAG: 99-180, Green Garden Program, Cascadia Consulting Group

Utilities Committee Chair Clawson presented a report regarding addendum #1 to the Green Garden Program contract. The Utilities Committee recommended concurrence in the Planning/Building/Public Works Department's recommendation that the Council approve addendum #1 to the Green Garden Program contract with Cascadia Consulting Group, Inc. The contract will provide Integrated Pest Management (IPM) technical assistance to City staff and develop a public education campaign designed to inform residents about the environmental and health benefits associated with the adoption of IPM strategies in the management of their lawns and gardens.

The Committee further recommended that the Council authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the contract amendment, amending the scope, budget and timeline. MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Planning & Development Committee

Technical Services: Street Vacation & Release of Easement Procedures, City Code Changes

Planning & Development Committee Chair Keolker-Wheeler presented a report regarding release of easement and street vacation procedures. The procedures in the City Code for processing street vacation and release of easement petitions are similar. Both procedures contain minor conflicting or confusing portions, which should be corrected. Also, both require a review by the Board of Public Works and recommendation to the City Council. Current practice requires review by all City of Renton departments and interested independent utility companies before submittal to the Board for a second review. The second review procedure is duplicative, time consuming and not necessary. Staff has recommended amendments to clarify and streamline these procedures.

The Planning and Development Committee recommended that the City Council adopt the staff recommended amendments to Titles 2 and 9 of the City Code. MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY SCHLITZER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED. (See page 324 for ordinance.)

Councilmember Keolker-Wheeler requested an update on the workability of the temporary sign ordinance and the A-frame sign ordinance.

Transportation Committee

Transportation: Trench Restoration Standards

Transportation Committee Chair Persson presented a report regarding revisions to the trench restoration requirements. The City of Renton has placed a substantial investment in new streets and pavement overlays. Several recently paved streets have been torn up for installation of new utilities or maintenance of underground facilities. The City has no regulations prohibiting or restricting this type of trenching within newly paved streets. Other cities in the region, including Bellevue and Seattle, have adopted regulations restricting pavement cuts in recently constructed streets and new overlays.

Staff has recommended revising the trench restoration and street overlay requirements to prohibit pavement cuts in newly paved streets for five years following completion of the new paving. Exceptions would be allowed for new construction and emergency repairs, with increased restoration requirements.

The Transportation Committee recommended concurrence in the staff recommendation to approve revisions to the trench restoration and street overlay requirements to restrict pavement cuts in new paved areas for a five-year period.

The Committee further recommended that the ordinance regarding this matter be presented for first reading. **MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.** (See page 324 for ordinance.)

Development Services:
Telecommunications Ordinance

Transportation Committee Chair Persson presented a report regarding revisions to the Telecommunications Ordinance. The City of Renton has a Telecommunications Ordinance which addresses requirements for construction and maintenance of telecommunications systems within the City's rights-of-way. This ordinance outlines submittal and construction requirements for franchise agreements and permits for telecommunications facilities. The City has processed several new franchise agreements for telecommunication providers in recent years. Based on experience with negotiating these

agreements, several modifications are warranted to the Telecommunications Ordinance to provide clearer direction on City requirements for future franchise agreements.

State legislation (Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 6676) which passed in the 2000 regular session, mandates several new requirements for municipalities in regulating telecommunication service providers. There are several items in this legislation which are not included in the current Telecommunications Ordinance.

A revised ordinance has been prepared by City staff to respond to these changes in State regulations and the City's experiences with recent franchise agreement negotiations. The revised ordinance will bring the City into compliance with new State requirements, and provide clearer guidance of the City's expectations for future telecommunication franchise agreements and processing requirements.

The Transportation Committee recommended concurrence in the staff recommendation to adopt revisions to the ordinance. The Committee further recommended that the ordinance regarding this matter be presented for first reading. **MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.** (See page 324 for ordinance.)

Finance Committee:

Parks: Skateboard Park
Interactive Art, 1% for Art
Fund

Finance Committee Chair Parker presented a report regarding 1% for Art funding for interactive art at the skateboard park. The Finance Committee concurred with the recommendation of the Municipal Arts Commission to use \$13,200 from Fund 125 (1% for Art Fund) to partially fund interactive art at the upcoming skateboard park. **MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.**

Finance: Bad Debt Write-Off

Finance Committee Chair Parker presented a report recommending that nine checks written to the City for a total of \$2,206.93 be deemed uncollectible. As such, the Council gives the Finance and Information Services Department the authority to make accounting adjustments removing these from the City receivables.

In addition, the Committee further recommended granting the Finance and Information Services Department the authority to remove eight different outstanding account receivables accounts for a total of \$3,837.25 from the accounting records. These cannot be collected from the businesses as they are

either out of business or, for other reasons, the City has determined these obligations are no longer owed to the City.

MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Finance: Vouchers

Finance Committee Chair Parker presented a report recommending approval of Claim Vouchers 184820 – 185324, and one wire transfer totaling \$1,634,458.25; and approval of Payroll Vouchers 27099 – 27432 and 529 direct deposits totaling \$1,044,091.36. MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Finance: Vouchers

Finance Committee Chair Parker presented a report recommending approval of Claim Vouchers 185325 – 185648 and one wire transfer totaling \$1,902,354.75; and approval of Payroll Vouchers 27433 – 27732 and 524 direct deposits totaling \$1,059,699.29. MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

The following ordinances were presented for first reading and referred to the meeting of 9/18/00 for second and final reading:

Planning: Construction Sign Regulations, Housekeeping Ordinance

An ordinance was read amending Section 4-4-100.B.6.d, Construction Signs, of Chapter 4, Property Development Standards, of Title IV (Development Regulations) of City Code by amending regulations concerning construction signs. MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY SCHLITZER, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 9/18/00. CARRIED.

Technical Services: Street Vacation & Release of Easement Procedures, City Code Changes

An ordinance was read amending Sections 2-3-2.A and B. of Chapter 3, Board of Public Works, of Title II, Commissions and Boards; Sections 9-1-3.A and B., and 9-1-5.A.3 of Chapter 1, Release of Easements, and Sections 9-14-3.B, 9-14-5.C, and 9-14-10, of Chapter 14, Vacations, of Title IX, Public Ways and Property, of City Code by clarifying and streamlining the procedures for processing street vacations and release of easement petitions. MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY SCHLITZER, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 9/18/00. CARRIED.

Transportation: Trench Restoration Standards

An ordinance was read amending Section 9-10-11 of Chapter 10, Street Excavations, of Title IX, Public Ways and Property, of City Code by adopting trench restoration and street overlay requirements. MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 9/18/00. CARRIED.

Development Services: Telecommunications Ordinance

An ordinance was read amending Sections 5-19-1, 5-19-2, and 5-19-5 through 5-19-12, of Chapter 19, Telecommunications Licenses and Franchises, of Title V, Business, of City Code, by complying with recent state legislation, simplifying the ordinance structure, and conforming ordinance language to existing franchise practice. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 9/18/00. CARRIED.

The following ordinance was presented for second and final reading and adoption:

Ordinance #4858

Franchise: Puget Sound Energy

An ordinance was read granting unto Puget Sound Energy, Inc., a Washington Corporation, and its successors and assigns, the right, privilege, authority and

franchise for 15 years, to construct, operate, set, erect, support, attach, connect, maintain, repair, replace, enlarge and use facilities for purposes of transmission, distribution and sale of electrical energy for power, heat, and light, in upon, over, under, along, across and through the franchise area; and to charge and collect tolls, rates and compensation for such energy and such uses. MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

Finance: Issaquah School
District Impact Fees

Councilmember Corman summarized an article he received regarding school impact fees and asked that copies be distributed to the Mayor, Council and City Attorney Larry Warren.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL ADJOURN.
CARRIED. Time: 9:28 p.m.



MARILYN J. PETERSEN, CMC, City Clerk

Recorder: Michele Neumann
September 11, 2000